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A BILL FOR

An Act to amend section four hundred twenty-five point eleven (425.11), Code 1946, relating to definition of homestead.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 Section 1. Section four hundred twenty-five point
- 2 eleven (425.11), Code 1946, is hereby amended by inserting
- 3 after the comma (,) following the word "claimed" in line
- 4 eleven (11) the following: "however, any person who due to
- 5 poor health or old age is compelled to live outside of the
- 6 homestead for a period of more than six months during any
- 7 year credit is claimed, and does not lease the homestead,
- 8 nor receive any income therefrom as a result of living
- 9 outside said homestead, the credit shall be allowed.".

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 372

Many people due to poor health or advanced age are unable to live on the homestead the full period of six months during the year as now required. Nevertheless they have not abandoned the homestead, but under the present law no homestead credit is allowed.

It is believed that this bill will make the law more equitable and just in these cases.